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MEMORANDUM FOR : Director of Central Intelligence

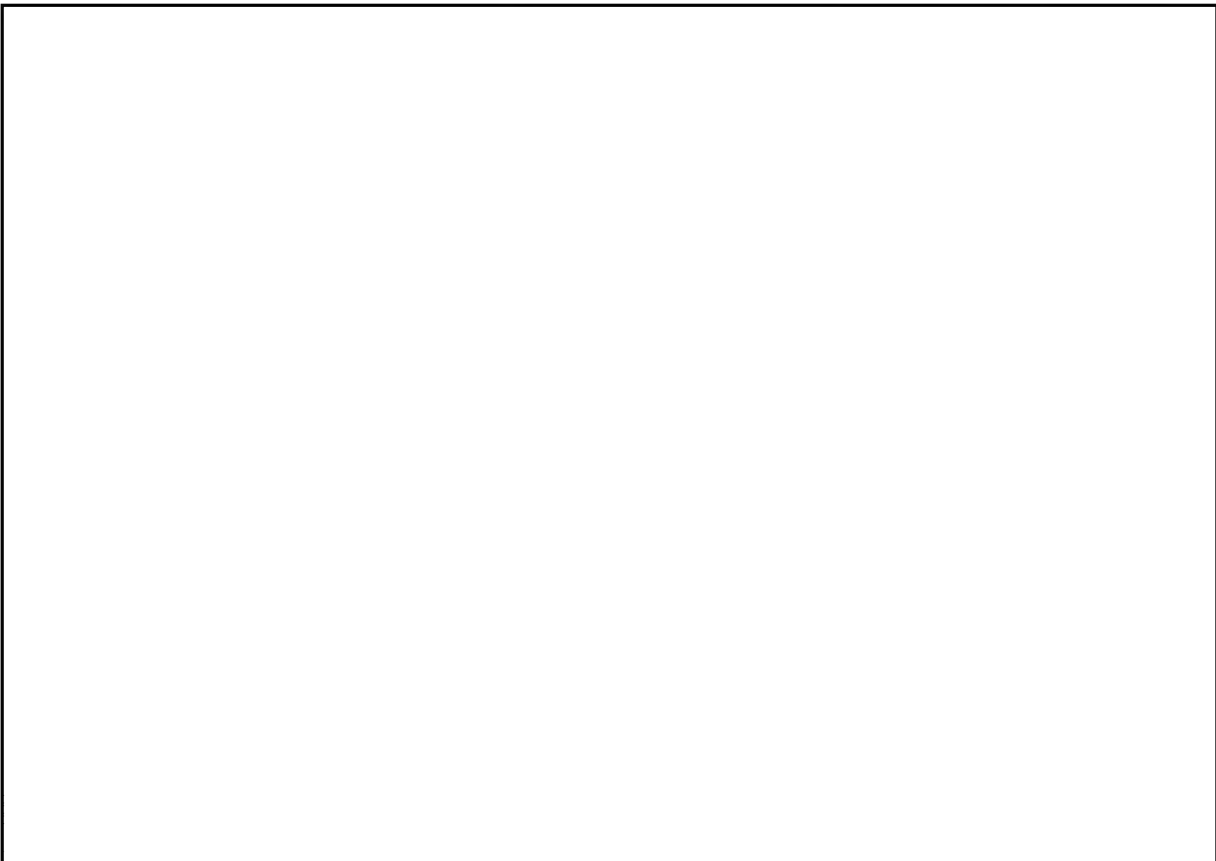
VIA : Deputy Director (Plans)

SUBJECT : Letter from Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller  
dated 7 September 1961, concerning [redacted]  
[redacted]

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25X1 1. This memorandum contains background information concerning [redacted] (paragraphs 2 - 6), states the position of CIA elements about contacting him (paragraphs 7 - 9), and recommends action on the part of the DCI (paragraph 10).

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## Rockefeller Letter Called Hoax of Reds

By a Star Staff Correspondent

THOMASVILLE, Ga., Feb. 19.

—The White House brands as "a complete fabrication by the Communists" a purported letter from Nelson Rockefeller to President Eisenhower recommending that the United States use economic aid to win political and military domination of recipient countries.

Press Secretary James C. Hagerty noted that Communist propagandists have "made quite a to-do" about the purported letter since it was published in the East German Communist newspaper Neues Deutschland on February 15.

Mr. Rockefeller is a former special assistant to the President for co-ordination of foreign policy activities.

Mr. Hagerty said he had done some intensive checking of files and had talked personally with Mr. Rockefeller. As a result, he said, he found that "the purported letter was a complete fabrication by the Communists."

He said no such letter ever had been written by Mr. Rockefeller or by any other associate of the President, and that "such policy ever has been proposed to or entertained by President."



STATE OF NEW YORK  
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER  
GOVERNOR

ALBANY

October 30, 1962

Dear John:

On behalf of all members of our Governors' Conference Committee on Civil Defense and Post-Attack Recovery, I want to express our grateful thanks for your full and frank briefing last Saturday. It provided us a most essential background for the Committee's deliberations. No other member of the Administration could have given us such a clean, concise and informative presentation of the situation.

I can well understand the tremendous responsibility you are carrying in these critical days. I am therefore especially appreciative that you found the time to meet with us personally.

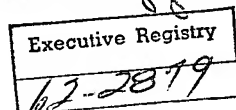
With warm admiration for the splendid job you are doing for the Government and for the Nation,

Sincerely,

*Nelson*

Honorable John A. McCone  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
P. O. Box 104  
Washington 4, D. C.

*Rockefeller*  
*(C. de Witt)*  
*Goldberg*



STATE OF NEW YORK  
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER  
ALBANY

NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER  
GOVERNOR

April 13, 1962

Dear John:

STAT

It was a pleasure to make   
available to you for the big undertaking you  
had at hand. I am fully aware of his great  
competence and know what a satisfaction it was  
to have him there.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nelson".

Mr. John A. McCone  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington 25, D. C.

P.S. Thanks for letting  
him come back!!

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9 APR 1962

Honorable Nelson A. Rockefeller  
Governor of New York  
Albany, New York

Dear Nelson:

STAT

[ ] has completed his work for me and I wanted to let you know how very much I appreciate your kindness in permitting him to come down to Washington and help us out. As is always the case, he did a magnificent job and made a very major contribution. He is now back with you unproselytized, as promised, but probably tired as a result of his commuting and doing two strenuous tasks simultaneously.

Thank you for your help.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) JOHN A. McCONE

John A. McCone  
Director

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Rewritten: O/DCI/A [redacted] (12 Oct 61)

STAT

The Honorable Nelson A. Rockefeller  
Governor, The State of New York  
Albany, New York

Dear Nelson:

Upon returning to my office from a brief trip out of the country, your letter of 7 September forwarding [redacted] memorandum of 31 August was brought to my attention.

STAT

This matter has been very carefully considered, including [redacted] summary estimate of his visitor's motivations.

STAT

The individual's background has been known to the United States Government for some years, and this is not the first time he has offered his services. It is believed that we should not get in touch with him, and when I see you next time, I will tell you more about this.

I am most appreciative of your kind comments, and it is particularly gratifying for you to write me as you did about my work. Whenever you are in Washington and have a convenient opportunity, I would certainly enjoy seeing you again.

With very best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

## MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

As you recall, you were shown Gov. Rockefeller's letter when you returned from your European trip. At that time, you felt that [ ] should be contacted and that we should have the benefit of the [ ] report on him before you sent a reply to Gov. Rockefeller. The division has been in touch with [ ] and he strongly recommended that no further contact be made with [ ] For details on this, please see the attached memorandum from the WH Division.

AAB  
10 October 61  
(DATE)

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The Honorable Nelson A. Rockefeller  
Governor, The State of New York  
Albany, New York

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This matter has been very carefully considered, including [redacted] summary estimate of his visitor's motivations. The individual's background has been known to the United States Government for some years, and this is not the first time he has offered his services. I am of the opinion that no useful purpose would be served by seeing him.

STAT

I am most appreciative of your kind comments, and it is particularly gratifying for you to write me as you did about my work. Whenever you are in Washington and have a convenient opportunity, I would certainly enjoy seeing you again.

With very best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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cc: DDCI  
DDP  
OO/C

Signature Recommended:

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[Redacted Signature]

10 OCT 1961

Deputy Director (Plans)

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[Redacted Signature]

(9 October 1961)

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## ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional)

FROM:

Chief, WH Division *gde*

NO.

DATE 9 October 1961

TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

DATE

OFFICER'S INITIALS

COMMENTS (Number each comment to show from whom to whom. Draw a line across column after each comment.)

RECEIVED

FORWARDED

1. Chief, IOD  
2406 L Building

2.

3. A/DDP/A  
1050 L Building

4.

5. Deputy Director (Plans)  
1046 L Building

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7. Director Central Intelligence  
221 Admin Building

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STAT  
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
OFFICIAL ROUTING SLIP

TO	NAME AND ADDRESS	DATE	INITIALS
1	[Redacted]	<i>But</i>	
2	<i>C/wrt</i> [Redacted]		
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ACTION	DIRECT REPLY	PREPARE REPLY
APPROVAL	DISPATCH	RECOMMENDATION
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Remarks: STAT STAT

The Director now wants to have [Redacted] contacted. After your division has had the benefit of the [Redacted] report on him, then the Director would like to write the Governor a letter about this. Also, the Director does not want [Redacted] name mentioned in the letter. STAT

For your information, I am attaching Governor Rockefeller's letter and related material. The information contained in my attached note on [Redacted] came from [Redacted] of your office.

STAT *! to 2 This should be given*

SUSPENSE: 6 October 1961 *Very Careful attention*

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ADDRESS AND PHONE NO.	DATE
Asst. to the DCT	9/25/61

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